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TITLE: DIGITAL RECEIVER FAST FREQUENCY AND TIME ACQUISITION
 SYSTEM USING A SINGLE SYNCHRONIZATION WORD AND
 METHOD OF USING SAME

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

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The following Declaration and attachments are to establish conception in the United States of claimed subject matter in the referenced patent application and diligence to the filing of the referenced patent application on 29 June 2001 from a date prior to the effective date of United States Patent No. US 6,693,983 by Moher et al. which was filed in the United States on 5 October 1999, and relied upon by the Examiner to support a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103 in the Office Action dated 10 May 2005.

In support of this declaration, I, Sumit A. Talwalkar of Plantation, Florida, declare and say the following:

That I, in association with Vijay Nangia and Leng H. Ooi, my co-inventors in the above-identified patent application, conceived the claimed subject matter of the referenced patent application in the United States before 5 October 1999, the filing date of United States Patent No. US 6,693,983 of Moher et al., in the course of employment by Motorola Inc., wherein the referenced application has been assigned thereto and a copy of the assignment has been attached as Appendix I;

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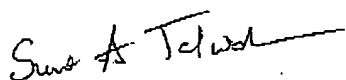
That the claimed subject matter of the referenced patent application was the subject of a written disclosure prepared after conception, which discloses the conception date that is prior to 5 October 1999 and wherein the written disclosure was submitted in a disclosure form, used by the assignee, Motorola Inc., for the purpose of documenting, considering and maintaining invention disclosures (disclosure attached as Appendix II);

That the conception date which is the earliest verifiable date an individual who is a non-innovator witnessed the claimed subject matter is prior to 5 October 1999 (disclosure form attached as Appendix II);

That on information and belief on or about 26 June 1999 Motorola Inc. received the disclosure for review and subsequently decided to pursue patent protection on the written disclosure, and that thereafter, in due course, a patent application was prepared and filed in the United States Patent Office on 29 June 2001 by or on behalf of Motorola Inc.;

That due diligence was exercised from prior to 5 October 1999 to 29 June 2001 to prepare and file the pending patent application number 09/896,703 (emails and inventor information reports attached as Appendix III);

That all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.



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Vijay Nangia

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ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, **SUMIT A. TALWALKAR, PLANTATION, FLORIDA, VIJAY NANGIA, SCHAUMBURG, ILLINOIS, and LENG H. OOI, PLANTATION, FLORIDA** have sold, assigned and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer, unto **MOTOROLA, INC.**, a corporation of the State of Delaware, having its principal office in Schaumburg, State of Illinois, United States of America, and its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest for the United States of America in and to certain inventions relating to improvements in **DIGITAL RECEIVER FAST FREQUENCY AND TIME ACQUISITION SYSTEM USING A SINGLE SYNCHRONIZATION WORD AND METHOD OF USING SAME** (Docket No. **CM03093J**), described, illustrated and claimed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America executed by us on the dates indicated by our signatures below, **filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 29, 2001, as Application Serial No. 09/896,703**, together with the entire right, title and interest in and to the application, and in and to Letters Patent which may be issued upon the application, and upon any division, extension, continuation or reissue thereof.

We hereby also sell, assign and transfer unto **MOTOROLA, INC.**, the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to applications for Letters Patent therefor in all countries foreign to the United States of America, including all rights under any and all international conventions and treaties in respect of the invention and the applications for Letters Patent in foreign countries, and we further authorize **MOTOROLA, INC.** to apply for Letters Patent in foreign countries directly in its own name, and to claim priority of the filing date of the application for Letters Patent of the United States of America under the provisions of any and all international conventions and treaties.

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We agree that, when requested, we will, without charge to **MOTOROLA, INC.**, but at its expense, sign all papers, take all rightful oaths, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient for securing and maintaining patents for the inventions in any and all countries and

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Sumit A. Talwalkar
SUMIT A. TALWALKAR

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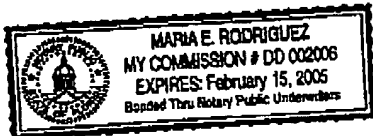
The undersigned Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Sumit A. Talwalkar, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the instrument as their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 15 day of October, 2001.

My commission expires:

Maria E. Rodriguez
Notary Public Signature

MARIA E RODRIGUEZ
Printed Name of Notary Public



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VIJAY NANGIA

DATE: October 1, 2001

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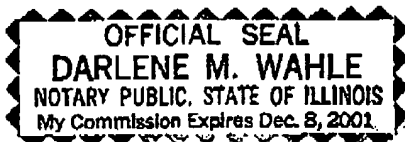
The undersigned Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Vijay Nangia, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the instrument as their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 1 day of OCT, 2001.

My commission expires: Dec 8, 2001

Darlene M. Wahle
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LENG H. OOI

DATE: 18th Oct 2001

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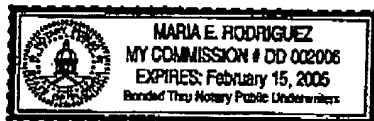
The undersigned Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Leng H. Ooi, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the instrument as their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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FOR INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION REFER TO DISCLOSURE INSTRUCTION PROCEDURE

Inventor must fill in Items 1 thru 12.

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1. Name of the invention. (Limit to ten words.)

Fast frequency and time acquisition using a single synchronization word.

2. State the problem(s) resolved by the invention.

Please see the attached sheet.

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5. List the closest known technology (attach article, patent, catalog sheet or other documentation).

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6. What are the potential applications for use of this invention?

Please see the attached sheet.

7. Conception Date? 20 June 1999 (Attach earliest log sheets, drawings, etc., to support dates).

8. To whom did you first disclose this invention? Name: Charles Sobchak

Date: 25 June 1999

9. Date the device was first built and tested: Simulations conducted during June 1999.
Present location of the device?

DETERMINATION OF LEGAL INVENTORSHIP FOR PATENT APPLICATION MUST BE MADE BY THE PATENT DEPARTMENT.

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13. Witness Name: Charles Sobchak	Signature <i>Charles P. Sobchak</i>	Date 7/19/99	Phone 8063
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14. Witness Name: Bob Furtaw	Signature <i>Bob Furtaw</i>	Date 7/20/99	Phone 6800
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15. What product will this invention be used in? (No code names - use a brief description if necessary)
This is part of the DIIS protocol which is the emerging standard for digital PMR

16. When (was) (will) the first offer for sale of a product incorporating this invention (be) made?
Date: 2000

17. When is the estimated shipping date? 2000

18. When (was) (will) the first disclosure outside of Motorola (be) made? How and to whom? Nonclassical-
sure agreement signed? State title and date of publication, if any.

We need to disclose this invention at some point in 1999 to the ETSI ad hoc meeting on DIIS.

19. What is the market for products incorporating this invention?

DIIS protocol is the emerging standard for world-wide protocol for digital PMR.

20. Who are the potential competitors? What is the possibility this invention will be used by competitors? Which ones?

Matra-Nortel, Simoco and Nokia are potential competitors. DIIS will be an open standard and we will retain the essential IPR in this area.

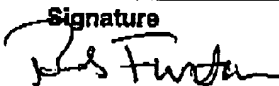
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Who was the contracting party? No.

22. Discuss the business impact that this invention will have on Motorola. Be specific and quantitative.

Transmit interrupt capability is an important feature of DIIS radio. This technique allows for acquisition (carrier, symbol time and frame synch) using a single 5 ms long synchronization word. This facilitates operation the transmit interrupt feature through a repeater.

23. Engineering Manager's Name (Type)	Signature	Date	Dept. No.	Phone
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24. Product / Marketing Manager's Name (Type)	Signature	Date	Dept. No.	Phone
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25. The Manager must determine the security classification of this information. See Personnel Policy #840, and Corporate SOP E60, "Protection of Proprietary Information".				

2. State the problem(s) resolved by the invention.

Time and frequency synchronization is essential for reliable transmission between the transmitting (Tx) and receiving (Rx) radios. Time synchronization refers to symbol time synchronization (knowledge of boundary between successive symbols) as well as frame synchronization. Frequency synchronization is necessary because the reference oscillators in the two radios (Tx and Rx) have different errors from the nominal frequency. This invention addresses the problem of acquiring synchronization (both time and frequency) by using a single 5 ms long synchronization word. This solution for fast acquisition enables the operation of the transmit interrupt feature that is one of the distinguishing features of the new digital PMR protocol, DIIS.

3. Describe the invention in detail. Include its operation, purpose, environment and how problem(s) were solved. (Use separate sheets as required.)

The operation of the sync acquisition system depends on a known sequence of symbols that is periodically embedded in the transmit symbol stream. This sequence of symbols, already known to the receiver, is called the synchronization word. The call related information is sent immediately after the sync word. This way any receiver coming up on the air starts looking for the sync word and the call information to decide whether to participate in a call. The functional diagram of a receiver may be similar to the one shown in Figure 1. The next paragraph briefly mentions some weaknesses

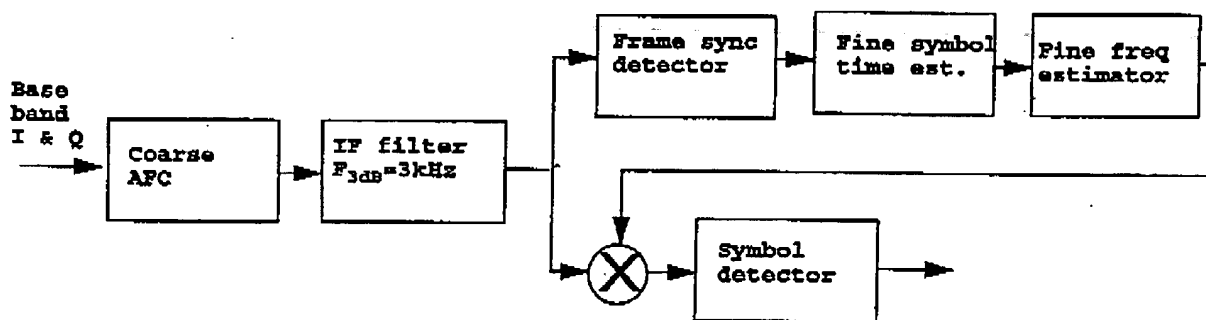


Figure 1. Functional diagram of a typical receiver

of this receiver functional diagram.

The IF filter with a 3-dB band width of 3 kHz is required for meeting the adjacent channel interference protection requirement. With this 3-dB band width, a maximum offset of 600 Hz is acceptable at the input of the IF filter. According to the standards specification 5.1.1 of ETS 300 113¹, however, a mobile transmitter frequency is allowed to be up to 1.5 kHz away from its nominal value for a channel separation of 12.5 kHz. Thus, if the base band I-Q signal is directly fed to the IF filter, in the worst case difference of 3 kHz between Tx and Rx, a significant part of the signal itself gets attenuated by the IF filter. This is the reason for the coarse AFC is placed before the IF filter. The coarse AFC is supposed to bring the offset down from 3 kHz to 600 Hz. The coarse AFC, however, has to operate on unknown data symbols before the sync word, for the sync word to pass through the IF filter.

In view of the difficulties encountered with the receiver above, the functional diagram of the invention can now be considered. The diagram is shown in Figure 2. Note the following differences in this new diagram with respect to the one in Figure 1. On the upper branch the base band I-Q signal is filtered through an IF filter with the 3-dB band width of 6 kHz, twice the original value. Frame sync detector is now operating in the presence of greater noise power since the filter in front of the frame sync detector is wider. This causes a degradation in the performance of the frame sync detector. Simulations verify, however, this performance degradation to be acceptable². Next is the symbol time estimator. Due to increased noise power, the estimator can only make a coarse estimate. The crucial point here is that the frequency estimation algorithm tolerates greater timing error than the symbol detector itself. In case if the timing error is unacceptable for the frequency estimator, the estimator may be run two or three times with timing slightly advanced or delayed

1. ETS 300 113, "Radio Equipment and Systems (RES); Land Mobile Services; Technical characteristics and test conditions for radio equipment intended for the transmission of data (and speech) and having an antenna connector", June 1996.

2. "Acceptable" performance implies that break down of the frame sync detector occurs at a lower value of E_b/N_0 than that of the symbol detector.

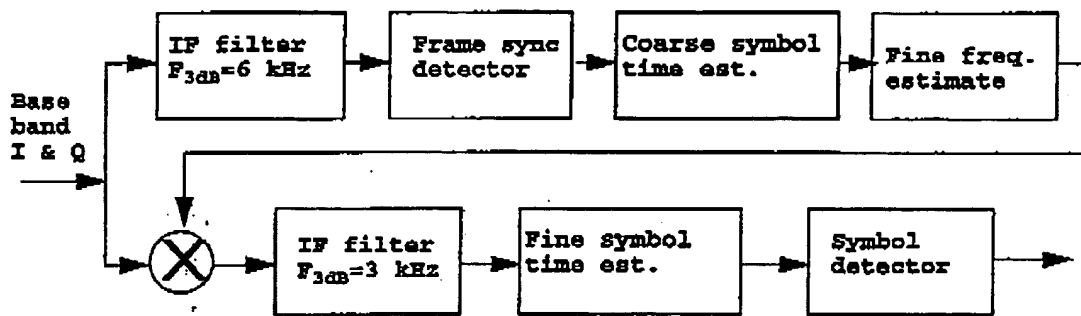


Figure 2. Functional diagram of proposed invention

with respect to the coarse timing estimate. The frequency estimator can estimate offsets between -3 and +3 kHz. Note that the frame sync detection, symbol time estimation and frequency estimation all use the same part of the signal that corresponds to the sync word. Since, the frequency estimation is based on known sequence of symbols, it is much more fast and accurate compared to the coarse AFC in Figure 1.

The frequency correction is now applied to the base band I-Q signal. Frequency corrected signal is then passed through a narrower IF filter. Note that with the frequency correction applied, there is no danger of the IF filter attenuating a signal with high offset. The filtered signal is then used for symbol time estimation. This symbol time estimation is more accurate because the narrower IF filter allows smaller amount of noise into the estimate.

The IF filters are implemented in FIR filters. It is no co-incidence that the wider IF filter is chosen have a 3-dB band width which is an integral multiple (2 in this case) of the narrower IF filter. Such choice allows the taps of the wider IF filter to be derived from the narrower IF filter. In this case, we take every other tap of the narrower IF filter to be a tap of the wider IF filter. Thus, the addition of a filter does not come at the cost of increased memory requirement.

Figure 3 shows the flow chart of acquisition algorithm of the invention.

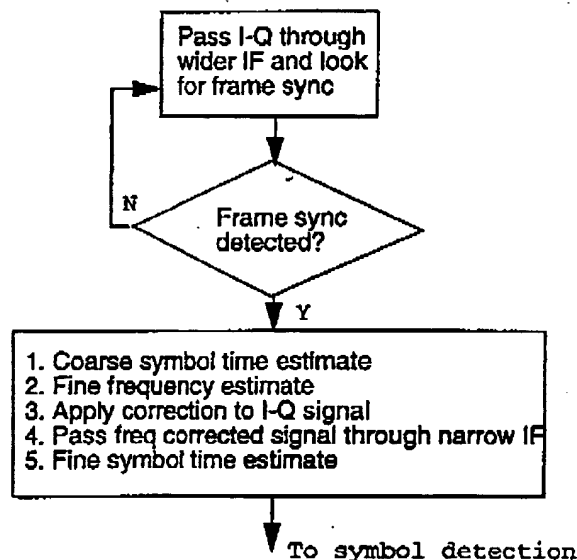


Figure 3 Acquisition algorithm flow chart

The timing diagram (not to scale) is shown in Figure 4. As shown in the diagram, minimum acquisition time is reduced from anywhere greater than 30 ms to as small as 5 ms. The saving in minimum acquisition time comes from the fact that coarse AFC does not have to be run on unknown symbols.

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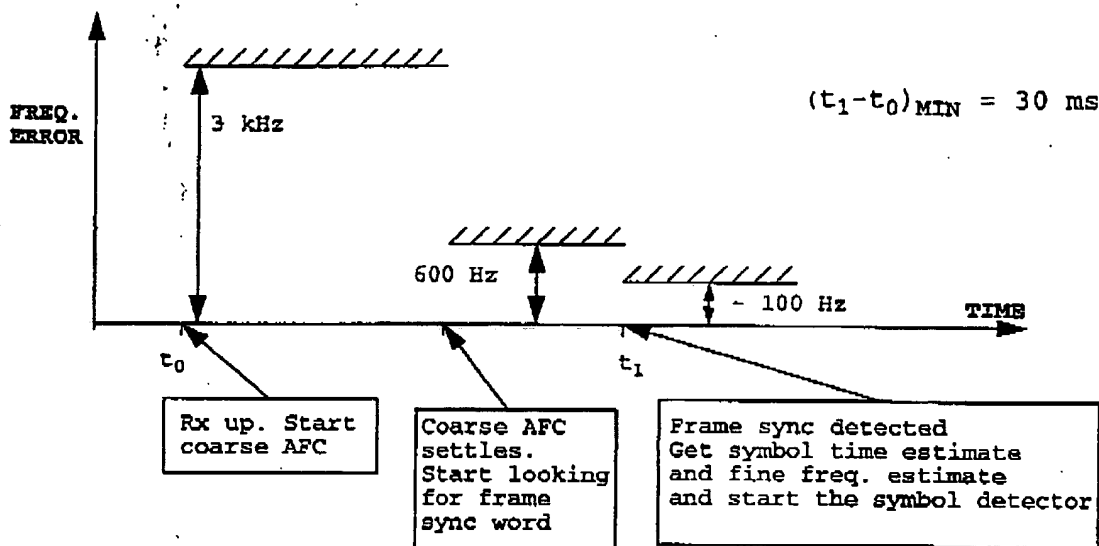
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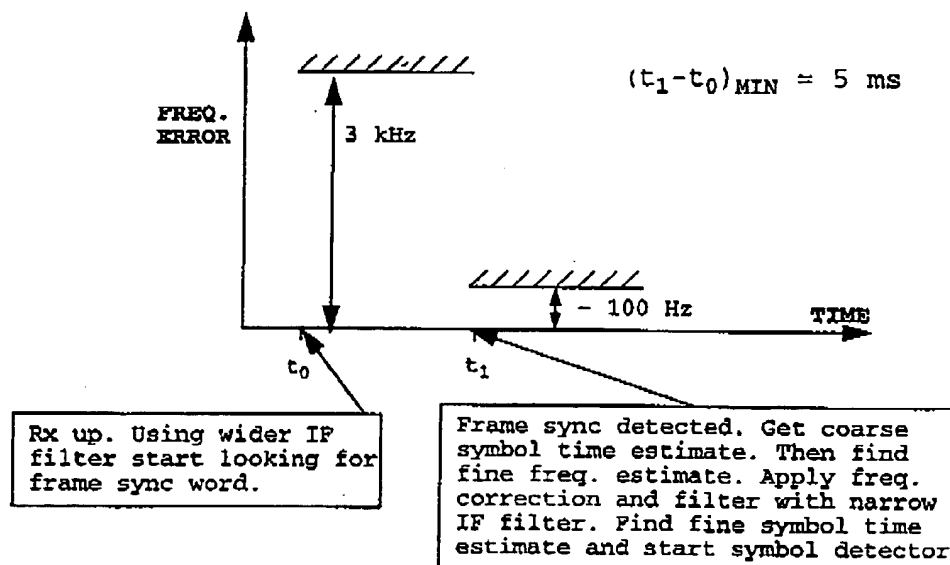
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DATA	SYNC WORD	CALL INFORMATION	DATA
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(A) Frame structure



(B) Scheme from Fig.1



(C) Scheme from proposed invention

Figure 4. (A) The frame structure containing the sync word followed by the call information embedded in the data stream, (B) and (C) Timing diagrams (not to scale) showing the frequency error vs. time for the two schemes: One shown in Figure 1 and the invention shown in Figure 2

Sumit & Takahashi
6 July 1999

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Charles P. Jodanis
10th July 1999

4. What new elements (e.g. components, circuits, process steps) or combinations of known elements or software algorithm produced the improvement(s) over known technology?

The invention makes use of the observation that frequency offset estimation is more tolerant than the symbol detector to the error in symbol time estimation. This allows use of coarse symbol time estimator which in turn allows a wider IF filter that tolerates maximum expected frequency offset. Such an arrangement eliminates the need for use of a coarse AFC before the IF filter. Elimination of a coarse AFC that relies on unknown data symbols makes the invention fast in acquiring synchronization based only on a single 5 ms long synchronization word.

Another new element of the invention is the idea of obtaining the wider filter from the narrower one without additional memory requirement.

5. List the closest known technology (attach article, patent, catalog sheet or other documentation).

[1] Mengali, U. and D'Andrea, A. N., "Synchronization Techniques for Digital Receivers", Plenum Press, 1997.

6. What are the potential applications for use of this invention?

Many digital modulation protocols make use of sync word. They all can benefit.

Sumit A. Tewari
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APPENDIX III

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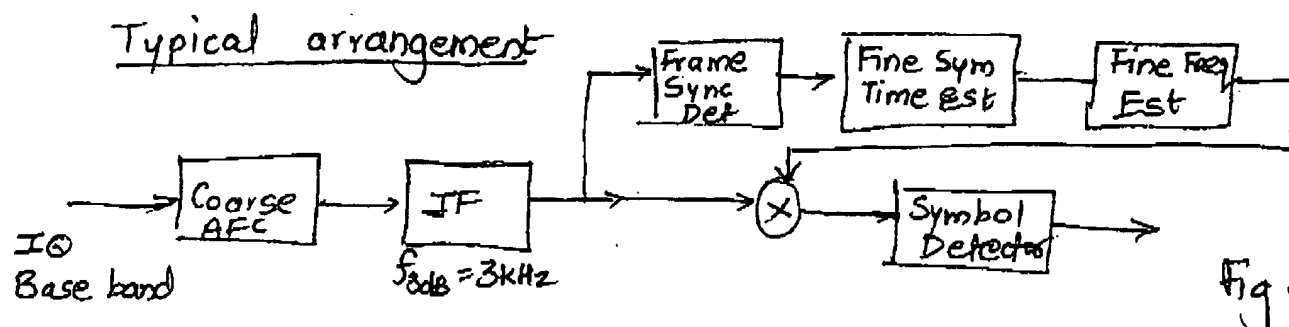


Fig. 1

IF filter $BW_{3dB} = 3 \text{ kHz}$ to meet adj. chan. interference rejection ratio (ACIRR) requirement. Frame sync looks for the frame sync word. I-Q baseband can be up to $\pm 3 \text{ kHz}$ ~~off~~ off. This will attenuate the signal going thro' IF filter. IF filter can tolerate only up to $\pm 600 \text{ Hz}$ offset. \therefore Coarse AFC is reqd. Note that the coarse has to bring the offset down from $\pm 3 \text{ kHz}$ to $\pm 600 \text{ Hz}$.

Note that the coarse AFC has to achieve this while looking at unknown data symbols (and not a known synchronization word).

This causes the coarse AFC to be slow. \therefore we propose a two-stage acquisition. The two stage acquisition is done using a single 5 ms ($30 \text{ symbols @ } 6 \text{ ksymbols/s}$) long sync word.

The ^{slow} coarse AFC is eliminated. Thus, the synchronization speed is improved. The arrangement is shown in Fig2 on next page.

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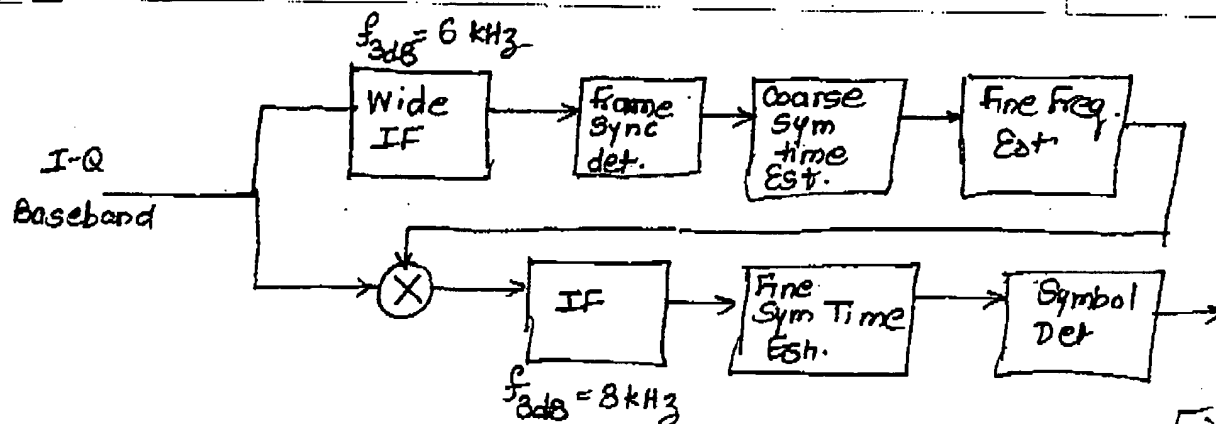


Fig. 2

In this arrangement the I-Q signal is passed through a wider IF filter with $f_{BdB} = 6 \text{ kHz}$ (instead of 8 kHz). See the upper branch in the figure above. The wider IF allows signal with a maximum offset of $\pm 3 \text{ kHz}$ to pass through. However, it also lets more noise power to pass through. This degrades the performance of the following frame sync detector which looks for the presence of the sync word. Note that there is no coarse AFC transient necessary before the arrival of the sync word. The degradation in the performance of the sync detector was found to be quite acceptable in our application (approx. $(P_{det}) \geq 97\%$). Upon detection by the frame sync detector, the signal corresponding to the sync word is fed to the coarse symbol time estimator. This estimate is noisier (due to wide IF), and thus, we call it a coarse symbol time estimator.

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Using the symbol time estimate, we then run the maximum likelihood estimator to find the carrier offset ~~up~~ using the same signal corresponding to the ~~#~~ sync word. The key here is that the freq. estimator is more tolerant to timing error than the symbol detector. If the symbol time error is unacceptable, it is suggested that the freq. estimator is run a multiple (2-3) times with slight advance/delay. The freq. estimate is used to correct the I-Q signal to be then passed thro the regular IF filter with $f_{dB} = 3 \text{ kHz}$. Following a finer sym. time estimator the signal goes to the symbol detector.

The wider IF is derived from the regular IF filter, ^(both FIR) by using every alternate tap. This may be generalized to every n^{th} tap depending on the ratio of f_{dB} of wider IF and regular IF; (frame synch det. performance degradation permitting). Thus, the second IF needs no extra memory.

Timing diagram corresponding to the two schemes (Fig 1 & Fig 2) shown on the next page.



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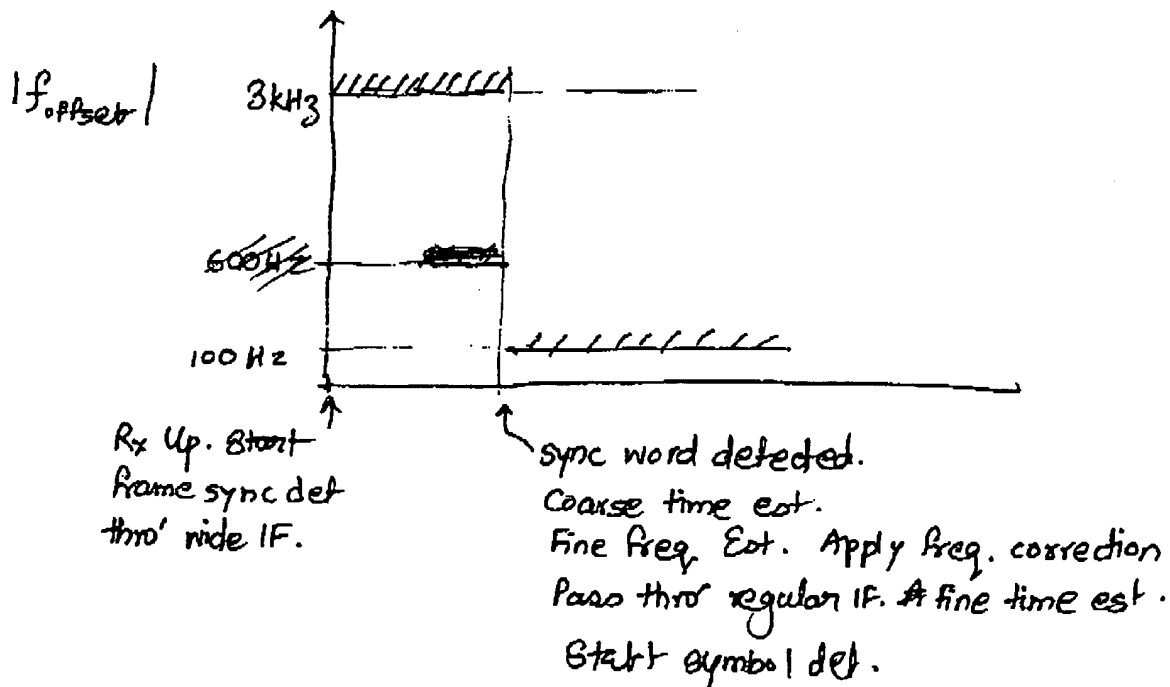
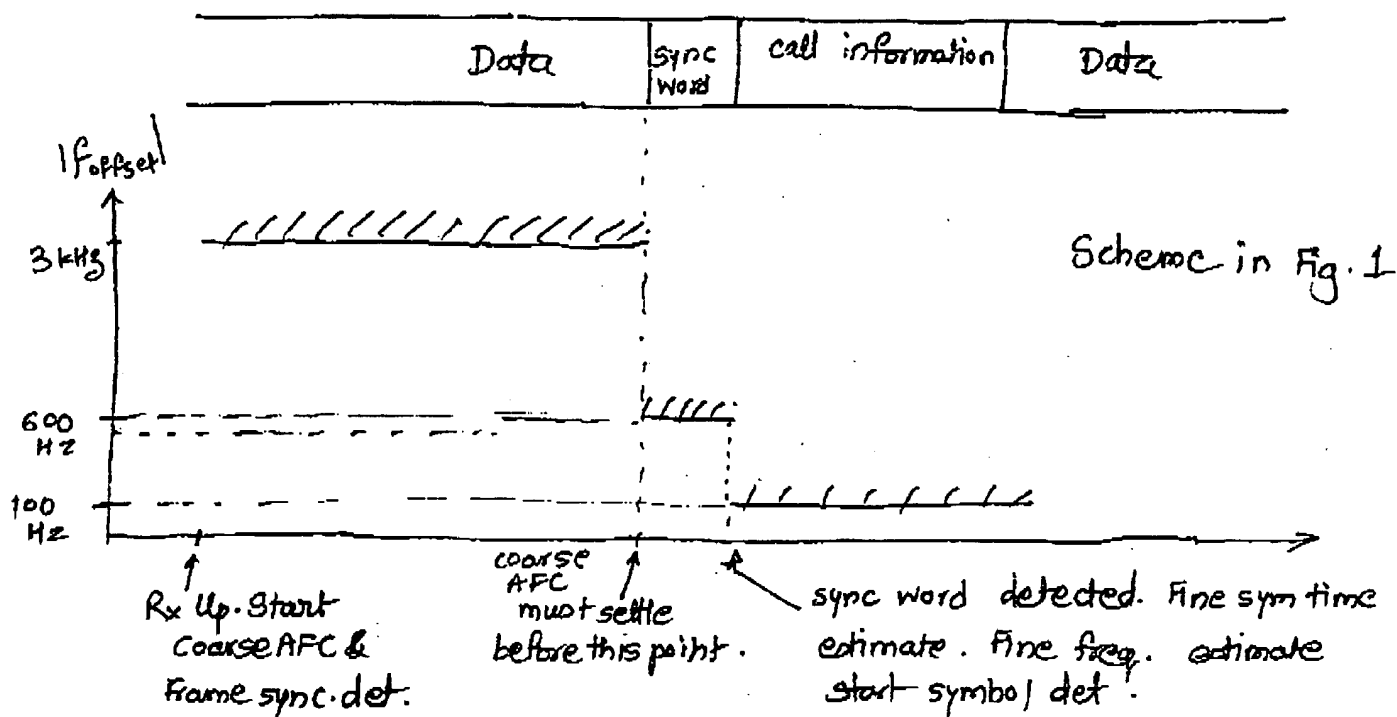
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